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- 1. REFTEL REPORTED SOVIET INSTRODUCTION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION AT CONFERENCE HERE CALLING ON SECURITY COUNCIL PERMANENT MEMBERS TO REDUCE MILITARY/DEFENCE EXPENDITURES BY TEN PERCENT AND APPLY FUNDS TO AID LDC'S.
- 2. USSR WITHDREW RESOLUTION DECEMBER 1 FOLLOWING SCATHING DENUNCIATION BY MATHIESON OF UK DELEGATION WHO, WITH HEAVY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SARCASM, CRITICEZED SOVIETS FOR INTRODUCING RESOLUTION. UK

POINTED OUT IMPOSSIBILITY OF COMPUTING USSR REDUCTION SINCE SOVIET MILITARY EXPENDITURES SECRET. VAN USSEL OF BELGIUM AND MAILLARD OF FRANCE CALLED FOR WITHDRAWAL IN MORE MILD AND CONCILIATORY TONES. LIMOUZY OF FRANCE, PRESIDENT OF COMMISSION II, STATED THAT RESOLUTION AS A MATTER OF FORM PROBABLY OUT OF ORDER SINCE IT DID NOT RELATE TO SUBJECT OF CONFERENCE. SOVIET DELEGATE MADE A TART REPLY TO UK THEN, IN CONCILIATORY TONE WITHDREW RESOLUTION AND REQUESTED THAT IT BE NOTED FOR THE RECORD ONLY.

- 3. FYI -- VAN USSEL MADE SORT STATEMENT IN COMMISSION II EXPRESSING HOPE THAT U.S. AND CANADA WOULD BE INVITED TO ATTEND FUTURE CONFERENCES AS FULL PARTICIPANTS. STATEMENT APPEARS IN RECORD AND IN DRAFT FINAL REPORT. END FYI.
- 4. CONFERENCE PRESENTLY SCHEDULED TERMINATE COB DECEMBER 4 FOLLOWING ADOPTION OF FINAL REPORT. U.S. DEL WILL DEPART DECEMBER 5.
- 5. FULL SET CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS BEING POUCHED DEPARTMENT. FINAL CABLE REPORT AND SUMMARY ANALYSIS WILL FOLLLOW FROM PARIS.
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